

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2174**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2017

**DRINKING WATER TO SOLDIERS**

2174. COL. SONARAM CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that drinking water is not available on the drought affected areas of Western Rajasthan borders Barmer, Jaisalmer, Bikaner and Hanumangarh to soldiers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the amount of the funds allocated and spent during each of the last four years and the current year for making available drinking water to soldiers on border; and
- (d) whether the Government intends to provide financial assistance and approve pending proposals for provision of drinking water projects of State Government to provide drinking water to soldiers on border and if so, the details thereof?

**A N S W E R**

MINISTER OF STATE  
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)

रक्षा राज्य मंत्री

(डा. सुभाष भामरे)

**(a) & (b):** Currently potable drinking water is being supplied to soldiers in drought affected areas of Western Rajasthan borders.

**(c)** The details of allotment and expenditure during the last four years, including the current financial year, in respect of water supply tariff are as under:-

(Rs. in lakh)

Financial Year	Allotment of Funds	Expenditure
2014-15	654.40	654.48
2015-16	863.50	840.15
2016-17	1117.52	1101.23
2017-18	1229.27	366.78 (as on date)

**(d)** Adequate water is available in all Key Location Plans. At present, no new works for water supply are under progress in the Military Stations at Western Rajasthan borders.

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